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Re: Draft Sampling and Analysis
Plan for Outdoor Ambient Air
Monitoring at the Libby Asbestos
Site

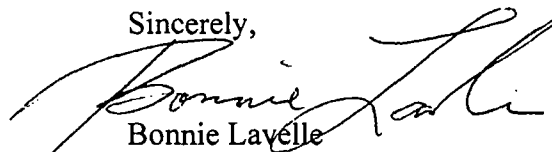
Dear Catherine:

On behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 (EPA) I am pleased to transmit the enclosed document, "Draft Sampling and Analysis Plan for Outdoor Ambient Air Monitoring at the Libby Asbestos Site, Libby, Montana" (Ambient Air SAP) for your review and comment. The document was developed by EPA to guide the collection of data on levels of Libby amphibole in outdoor ambient air within the commercial and residential areas of Libby. EPA identified the need for this information during our development of the conceptual site model for Operable Unit 4 (OU4).

If your agency has any comments on the enclosed document, EPA requests that you provide them by September 15, 2006. You may send your comments to me by letter or email them to lavelle.bonita@epa.gov. All written comments will be considered by EPA in the development of the final version of the document and will also be incorporated into the administrative record for OU4.

We look forward to working with you on the development of the final Ambient Air SAP and on its implementation. If you have any questions about the document, please don't hesitate to call me at (303)312-6579 or Paul Peronard at (303)312-6808.

Sincerely,


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